REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending in the application. The Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of Claims 21-30.

Claims 1-20 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-19 of U.S. Patent No. 6,370,398. A terminal disclaimer is filed with this Reply to overcome this rejection. All claims are now believed to be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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